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In re application of:

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**RESPONSE TO COMMUNICATION
AND ELECTION OF SPECIES**

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Sir:

In further response to the Election of Species Requirement mailed on December 27, 2005, and in view of the Communication mailed on March 31, 2006, Applicants confirm their election of Species II (Figure 2). This species encompasses prostheses having an expandable tubular body and at least one S-shaped connector.

The claims reading on this species are: 1-3, 5-7, 9-11, and 13-15.

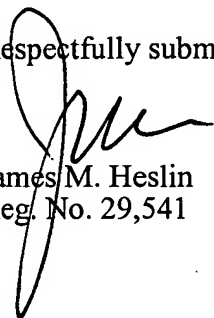
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